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6 FAM 720 HOUSING ABROAD PROGRAM

Changes

1. **6 FAM 724.1, Pooled Housing:** As the result of a decision memorandum signed by the Deputy Secretary of State on December 16, 2004 and a subsequent ALDAC, all U.S. Government-held short-term leased housing is considered pooled for purposes of assignment except designated residences.
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